

## WOMAN IS HELD FOR MURDER

HER YOUNG DAUGHTER'S STORY  
LED TO HER ARREST.

Mrs. Margaret Sullivan, with the Girl's Help, Had Carried Off the Victim's Body From Her Yard in Jersey City—Child Says Mother Took His Money.

The body of George Straehl, 25 years old, a raincoat cutter of Lyndhurst, N. J., was found by Police Officer Pat McManus at 4:30 o'clock yesterday morning in a sitting posture on the sidewalk in front of a tenement house at 209 Railroad avenue, Jersey City, in the shadow of the Pennsylvania Railroad's elevated tracks.

There was a hole in the top of the head, indicating that death had been a violent one. The man's hat and shoes were missing and the right side trousers pocket was turned inside out, leading the policeman to believe that he had been murdered and robbed. McManus notified the City Hall police station and the find, and the result was kept busy for an hour and a half ransacking the house and others who they suspected were capable of committing such a crime.

Capt. James F. Larkins, chief of the Detective Bureau, later conducted an independent investigation with the assistance of eight sleuths and turned up evidence which he said justified him in looking up Mrs. Margaret Sullivan, 45 years old, who lives in a two-story frame house in the rear yard of 209 Railroad avenue, on a charge of murder.

Mrs. Sullivan was formally accused of throwing or pushing Straehl over the railing of a second-story balcony. She vigorously denied the charge, saying she was convinced the young man had accidentally tumbled over the balcony railing during which he had acted as host of the beer party to himself and a number of friends.

Straehl had formerly boarded with Mrs. Sullivan and owed her for seven weeks lodgings. He visited the house frequently, and turned up early on Saturday evening. He treated Mrs. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. David Brower and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hoehl on the balcony, and according to all hands bade them good-night at a late hour.

Mrs. Sullivan's twelve-year-old daughter, Margaret, furnished the police with the clue which led to the arrest of her mother.

"During the night," she said, "mother woke me up and told me that George had fallen off the upper story or over the railing. We went downstairs and found him lying in the yard in front of the house. Mother went out to see if he was there and when she came back she told me he was dead. Then she threw George's hat and shoes out of the window and went into the house and I promised each other we wouldn't tell anybody what had happened."

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In justifying the charge of murder against the woman, Capt. Larkins said: "There must have been some reason for the action of Mrs. Sullivan in arousing her daughter and getting her to help remove the body. It is natural to assume that she made away with his coat and hat after dumping the dead man on the sidewalk to create the impression that he had been knocked out by some body for the purpose of robbery. If Mrs. Sullivan believed that the young man had been accidentally killed by tumbling off the balcony, why didn't she make an outcry instead of covering up what had really happened?"

When Straehl's body was examined at Hughes's morgue it was found that besides the wound on the head there were abrasions on the knees which might have been made by the car wheels. The fact is not quite clear to the detectives how Straehl could have landed on his knees and on his head at the same time.

A blunt ax and a blackjack were picked up in Mrs. Sullivan's untidy rooms. She volunteered the information that the blackjack belonged to a man who was in the habit of coming to her house.

Mrs. Sullivan said that her first husband, Francis Sullivan, whose name she gave by, was killed by the car on Erie Railroad street, near the bridge. Christy Scheppeler, committed suicide in Little Italy Park by taking carbolic acid less than five years ago. About seven years ago she was confined in the Hudson county penitentiary for smothering her newly born babe to death. She had no husband at the time.

The woman's daughter, Margaret Sullivan, and four-year-old son, George Scheppeler, were sent to the S. P. C. home in Grand street and the Hoehls and Browers were released on bail for appearance in the First Criminal Court this morning when Mrs. Sullivan, whose life has been a series of tragedies, will be arraigned before Police Judge Lerner.

Nicholas Straehl of Lyndhurst, a brother of the dead man, reached Jersey City police headquarters at noon and said that members of his family had induced George to leave Mrs. Sullivan's house as a boarder several months ago. He said that his brother had been living apart from his wife and small daughter for six years.

## A CARELESS THIEF.

Picked a Jeweller's Pockets and Overlooked \$10,000 Worth of Gems.

Timothy Riordan, who gave the Occidental Hotel as his address, was picked out from a lineup of plain clothes men by Louis Kohn, a jewelry salesman of 345 Grand street, yesterday morning as the man who had taken \$1,500 in diamonds and cash from his pockets on the Third avenue elevated on Thursday evening.

Kohn gave the police a description of a man who he said had jumped into him at the Grand street station and had managed to slip off the train as it started. Kohn said that he tried to get the guard to open the gate, but couldn't manage it. When Riordan was arrested none of the stolen property was found on him.

Kohn told with some relief in Centre street court yesterday morning that though a plush case with \$1,220 worth of diamonds in it and \$100 in cash had been taken from an inside coat pocket, the thief had overlooked his own pockets. He had pocketed in his own pockets the value of \$10,000. Magistrate Reinert committed Riordan to the House of Correction.

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## ONE FUNERAL FOR FIVE.

Victims of Drowning at Hackensack to Be Buried To-day.

HACKENSACK, N. J., May 16.—Funeral services for the four girls and boy who were drowned on Friday evening will take place in St. Mary's Catholic Church here to-morrow morning. All of the victims of the accident, Catherine Hoffman, Mary Sachs, Lizzie Simonson, Mary Horan and Peter Molowinski, Jr., were members of this church and all had been baptized by the Rev. Father Lambert.

Father Lambert is so deeply affected by the tragedy that he has decided not to preach the funeral sermon. The Rev. Father Garland of Hoboken, who is well known in Hackensack, to-day arranged to take Father Lambert's place. As three of the girls who were drowned were members of St. Mary's church, the Rev. Father Cunneen of Holy Trinity Church, Hackensack, has promised to have his choir do the singing. About fifty young girls, members of the Sodality Society, robed in white, will act as pallbearers. The interment will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery at Fairmount.

Gloom pervades the First ward, Hackensack, where the young victims lived. All day persons were seen carrying floral pieces to the homes of their dead friends. The Hackensack Field Club cancelled its ball game to-day, the victims having been killed by others on the team.

The tragedy was mentioned in every church in Hackensack this morning and special collections were taken up for the widowed mothers of two of the victims who need aid at this time. The Rev. Dr. Herman Vander Wart, pastor of the First A. Reformed Church, preached a special sermon on the tragedy under the subject "Is God Love?"

If you and I had the running of the ship in our hands what a poorly constructed affair it would be, for most of us would permit neither obstacle, temptation, sorrow nor failure, and the result would be a mob of mental, moral and physical dwarfs, because struggles and trials are necessary to the development of character and virtue and a character without these is no character at all. The fact is that such calamities as this one by which we suffer shows God to be more merciful to us than if he suffered not. You get trouble, what does it do? It makes you seek to get rid of it. That's the way we are kept busy, and being kept busy we are developed. Without toil and trouble and sorrow we would deteriorate into simpering idleness. Without sorrow this world would be a joyless desert."

## A MODEST RESCUER.

Man in Overall Fishes Boy From Park Lake and Dredges the Hero Business.

Bertie Kavanagh, 7 years old, who lives at 1252 Third avenue, went to Central Park yesterday afternoon to sail his boat on Conservatory Pond. In reaching out too far from the board walk he tumbled in. Johnny Cusack, 8 years old, was the only person who saw him fall.

"The rescuee in the lake was drowned," cried Johnny, as he ran up to several other boys who were deeply interested in their own boats. "The boys could see nothing of Bertie and none of them dared venture into the lake."

A man in overalls was sitting on a bench smoking a clay pipe a short distance away and one of the boys told him what had happened.

"What's his short pipe in his pocket, dropped the newspaper he had been reading and went with the messenger. He jumped in, clothes and all, and felt about the bottom with his hat. The water was breast high. After a time he felt something and reaching down he found the boy clinging to some roots at the bottom. He broke the boy's grasp and carried him to the board walk. Policeman Shea came down on the run from the Seventy-second street entrance and sent for a Presbyterian Hospital an escort for a Presbyterian.

"What's your name and address?" the policeman asked the rescuer.

"What difference does it make who I am?" responded the man.

"Go on with your records. I'm no hero. I have kids of my own at home with the work of redemption was continued at the home of the water out of his clothes and started for the park entrance."

Shea administered first aid to Bertie while waiting for the ambulance, and the work of redemption was continued at the hospital. After a time the boy came to. His companions had made quick time in carrying the news to Bertie's home and his parents were at his bedside when he recovered consciousness.

"I lost my boat, ma. Will you get me another one?" he asked when he got his wits.

His parents took him home.

TEH AUITEPEC COMMERCE BOOM.

Twenty Millions to Be Spent for New Docks at Seaport Railroad Terminal.

MEXICO CITY, May 16.—The traffic of the Tehuantepec National Railroad, which spans the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, has increased so enormously that plans have been adopted for doubling the capacity of the docks at the ports of Salina Cruz and Coahuila.

It is stated that more than \$20,000,000 will be spent in the proposed improvements.

Leaves a Steamer and Becomes a Bride.

Arthur Roger Sarat Roy, Ph.D., of 231 West 17th street, was married to Miss Johanna Neufeld yesterday by Justice of the Peace Frank H. O'Keefe in Hoboken. Dr. Roy met his fiancée on a Hamburg-American Line pier as she left the steamship Cleveland, on which she returned from a European trip. After taking care of her baggage he escorted her to the justice's office at 61 First street for the wedding. The bridegroom is 35 years old and was born in Bengal, India. He said he was a lecturer.

## BRANDENBURG IS BACK

PROMISING TO MAKE THINGS INTERESTING FOR SOMEBODY.

Went Away to Make Money, He Says, and Returns No Better Off—Has a Good Word for the Detectives Who Brought Him Here From San Francisco.

Brought back Brandenburg, the magazine writer, was brought back yesterday from San Francisco to answer to the charge of grand larceny which was preferred against him by the New York Times. Brandenburg was indicted last October and was arrested at Dayton, Ohio, but when his case was called before Justice Dowling on February 1 he did not show up and his bail was forfeited. He was arrested again a month ago in San Francisco and a writ of habeas corpus was obtained on his behalf. The matter was threshed out in the Superior Court of California and he was turned over to the New York authorities.

Brandenburg, in charge of Headquarters Detectives Fitzsimmons and McMullin, reached New York yesterday afternoon on the Lake Shore Limited. Among his luggage was the big basket in which he took his stepson, James Shepard Cabanne, 34, from St. Louis. Brandenburg had this statement to give out regarding his affairs:

When I left New York I arranged to return in October with abundant money to pay for the proper defense of a complicated suit and cancel all my private obligations. Now I return no better off than when I went. I do not expect bail, may not even be able to secure counsel, but all the same the immediate future is going to be interesting for all hands. Please take these three general divisions. First, to meet the charges in reference to the Cleveland letter; second, to secure out of the tangle of the country's divorce laws, in which we are involved, an unquestioned legality of the marriage status between the second Mrs. Brandenburg and myself—so noble and splendid a woman deserves a thousand times more and I shall be satisfied with nothing less; third, and quite as important, the ultimate recovery of our boy.

Some time, much patience and severe hardship perhaps, must be experienced to secure these ends, but what must be must be.

I have been quoted as charging various persons with a share in certain conspiracies, notably District Attorney Jerome. These statements I deny. I do not care to be made a cat's paw of the dishonest enemies of a man whom I have found to be honest, though an enemy.

The treatment shown me by Lieutenants Norman Fitzsimmons and John McMullin since leaving California, while conscientious, has been most kindly and courteous. No attempt was made to take advantage of my technicalities and none will be made here. Brought back BRANDENBURG.

The prisoner certainly looked as if his trip to the Pacific Coast had done him lots of good. When he was arrested here last fall he looked like a man who had been through a mill. He returned yesterday with a coat of tan and generally of a more healthy appearance. He was looked up at Police Headquarters and was arraigned in General Sessions this morning.

## SUICIDE INSTEAD OF MARRIAGE.

Widower Kills Himself After a Quarrel With His Daughters.

Conrad Gasser, a clothing finisher, committed suicide early yesterday morning by jumping from the fifth story window at 34 East Twelfth street, where he was at work. Gasser's wife died in Russia last Easter day and about that time he had been married to a woman who was his daughter's house in Brooklyn, where he had been living since his wife's death, and went to live at 619 Ninth street. He told his four children, all of whom are married, that he was going to marry Mrs. Sara Bart, who lived in the house at 619 Ninth street. Gasser bought furniture and rented a four room flat.

On Friday night last his four daughters called on him. Neighbors told the police last night that there had been a violent quarrel. The daughters were opposed to his marriage. Gasser left his place in the workshop yesterday, went into the hall and jumped out of an open window. Policeman Standing, who was near by, saw the man hit the sidewalk and at once summoned Dr. Busby from St. Vincent's Hospital.

Gasser died on the way to the hospital. Mrs. Bart was summoned and asked to marry his children. She said she knew nothing of that they lived somewhere in Brownsville.

## TO BUILD CHURCH FOR MEN.

Land Bought for Adversely Criticized Project in Atlantic City.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 16.—Supporters of the Rev. Sydney Goodman, pastor of the "Men's Church," who was assailed by conservative members of the Asencon Church for allowing smoking and vaudeville at Sunday night meetings for men, are back of a movement to build a regular church for use of the pastor, who contends that he has found the only proper method to obtain attendance of men at church. Announcement was made to-day before the Asencon congregation, when Goodman is assistant rector, that land had been bought for the new men's church and that building would be started in the fall.

The new congregation will have no women members. Besides the church there will be clubrooms and other features, including a stage for vaudeville and a moving picture outfit.

Mr. John Grimes Consecrated as Bishop.

SYRACUSE, May 16.—Archbishop John M. Farley of New York city officiated to-day at the elevation of Mr. John Grimes, rector of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in this city, to Bishop of Syracuse. Bishop Farley acted as consecrator. Bishop Grimes becomes Bishop Coadjutor to Bishop Patrick A. Ludden of the Syracuse diocese. A large number of out of town Bishops and priests were in attendance.

Stowaway Taken Into the Crew.

Perry Caswell, a stowaway found in the hold of the American Line steamship New York, five days out from the other side, made so good an impression on the officers of the ship that yesterday when the vessel arrived here he was engaged as a regular member of the crew. Caswell had knocked about the world a good deal and was last engaged on a small boat on the west coast of Scotland.

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## THE PLUMBER WAS STUBBORN.

So the Policeman Arrested Him—But the Court Sees No Crime.

Jacob Portman, a plumber, who lives at 1251 Forty-sixth street, Brooklyn, was arraigned in the Yorkville police court yesterday by Plain Clothes Man James S. Tierney of the Forty-sixth street station. The formal complaint was:

"Refusal to permit complainant to enter the premises," the premises being a house in East Houston street.

"I am pretty sure gambling was going on in that place," Tierney told Magistrate Corrigan.

"Did you have a warrant when you tried to enter?"

"No."

"As you had no warrant he had a right to prevent you from entering. I would throw you out if I had been in his stead," the Court remarked.

"We are morally sure there is gambling going on there, but we cannot get the evidence."

"Do you charge this man with being the proprietor?"

"Oh, no. He's the sucker. He drops all his money there in suits and in the morning he comes out with a pocket full of cash. He has some plumbing work to do there on Saturday afternoon and he was arrested while standing at the door."

"The fact is I arrested him to show him that he must obey me. I ordered him out of the doorway and when he refused to go I told him I would arrest him if he did not do as I told him. He was still stubborn and I looked him up," Tierney explained.

The Magistrate discharged Portman.

## BARY HERE FOR SENTENCE.

Note Swindler Whose Conviction Was Upheld Brought Over From Jersey.

Charles Bary, who described himself as a millionaire with \$1,000,000 of real estate in West Virginia and who was convicted last June of robbing Sherman & Co. of Keyport, N. J., by means of bogus notes, arrived here yesterday afternoon from Keyport in the custody of Lieut. Nelson of the Central Office, who arrested him there last Wednesday.

## DARING GIRL'S LEG BROKEN.

Elaine Arosemena Jumps From Second Story—Father Was Killed in Auto.

NEW ROCHELLE, May 16.—Because she refused to take a dare and jumped from the second story window of a building which is being put up on Warren street Miss Elaine Arosemena, a student at St. Angela's Seminary, may be a cripple for life.

The girl, who is 17 years old, was dared by some children to make the leap while on the way home from the seminary on Friday. She said she would think it over, and yesterday afternoon she went to the building with some friends and jumped from the window to the ground, a distance of about 25 feet. She was picked up unconscious and carried to her home on Washington avenue, where it was found that one of her legs was broken.

The injury was so serious that Drs. Eddy, Peck and McCallahan were called. They had to use the X-ray to set the shattered bone.

The girl's stepmother, Mrs. Joseph X. Arosemena, who lives at 85 Washington avenue, New Rochelle, was in Atlantic City at the time of the accident and the patient is being cared for by her grandmother. Her father, who was a member of a lithograph firm in New York, was killed in an automobile accident on Long Island on June 12 last. Mrs. Arosemena and their daughter, Josephine and Inez, were injured. Elaine was the only one of the family who did not go on the fatal automobile trip. Her mother was Mr. Arosemena's first wife.

## SCHOOLSHIP SAILS TO-DAY.

Old Cruiser Newport Going to Europe—Good-bys Held at City Club.

GRAN COVE, L. I., May 16.—Launched yesterday at the shore and New York City's schoolship, the old cruiser Newport, which is lying just inside the breakwater ready for the start of the first leg of her trip to Europe. Friends of the 114 boys who are on board and also the friends of the instructors took the last opportunity to visit them before the steamer leaves.

To-morrow morning the Newport will drop across the Sound to New London, where she will coal. After that she will not touch port again until she reaches Falmouth, England, on June 10, if she is on time. She will be back here late in August, according to schedule.

Yesterday she was visited by President Winthrop and a committee of the New York Board of Education.

The boys made their headquarters here during the practice in the Sound.

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AMERICAN MUSIC Hall, 42nd St. Daily Mat. & Eve. 8:15. \$1.50. THE GIRL FROM RECTOR'S.

NEW CHURCH OF ST. BRENDAN.

Mrs. Lavelle Presides at the Laying of the Cornerstone.

Mrs. Lavelle of the Cathedral, acting for Archbishop Farley, officiated at the laying of the cornerstone of the new Church of St. Brendan, at Perry avenue and 207th street, The Bronx, yesterday afternoon. Yesterday was chosen as an appropriate day for the laying of the stone, as it was the feast of St. Brendan.

Before the laying of the stone took place there was a procession from the temporary chapel at 205th street and Webster avenue to the site of the new church. The Catholic Protective band led the procession and then came the altar boys, Children of Mary and members of the Holy Name Society.